AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A cardholder ~~comprising~~ consisting of:

a one-piece transparent plastic material forming a magnifying lens and configured as a rectangle-shaped cardholder with dimensions approximating a standardized card carried by a person,

wherein the ~~plastic material contains~~ rectangle-shaped cardholder has (i) a lens viewing portion and (ii) at least ~~two folded edges which form at least a~~ one pair of tracks along parallel edges of the cardholder for slipping on and off one or more standardized cards, the pair of tracks are formed of folded tab-like extensions of the one-piece plastic material at a pair of opposing edges of the rectangle.

2. (Original) The cardholder according to claim 1,

wherein the tracks are J-shaped, respectively.

Claim 3. (Canceled)

4. (Currently Amended) The cardholder according to claim ~~3~~ 1,

wherein the ~~magnifier view~~ lens viewing portion is constituted by fresnel contour lines that are stamped on either side of the ~~viewing portion of~~ one-piece plastic material constituting the cardholder.

5. (Currently Amended) The cardholder according to claim ~~3~~ 1,

wherein the one-piece plastic material is formed of ~~transparent~~ thermoplastic material ~~which~~ and is coated on either side thereof, except for the lens viewing portion of the cardholder, with an opaque finish.

6. (Currently Amended) The cardholder according to claim ~~3~~ 1,

wherein the size, shape and position of the viewing portion is determined on the basis of the level of viewing desired, although limited by the surface dimensions of the cardholder.

7. (Currently Amended) The cardholder according to claim ~~3~~ 1,

wherein the lens viewing portion covers a rectangle-shaped area having its elongated sides extending parallelly to the pair of tracks.

8. (Currently Amended) The cardholder according to claim ~~3~~ 1,

wherein the one-piece plastic material ~~contains~~ has an opaque finish at either side thereof, except for the ~~magnifier~~ lens viewing portion, and

wherein the ~~magnifier~~ lens viewing portion is constituted by fresnel contour lines that are stamped on either side of the one-piece plastic material constituting the cardholder.

9. (Original) The cardholder according to claim 8,

wherein the tracks are J-shaped and are provided at one of the pair of parallel edges of the rectangle-shaped cardholder.

10. (Original) The cardholder according to claim 9,

wherein the size, shape and position of the viewing portion is determined on the basis of the level of viewing desired, although limited by the surface dimensions of the cardholder.

11. (Original) The cardholder according to claim 10,

wherein the cardholder contains a cutaway at one or both of the other pair of opposing edges of the rectangle-shaped cardholder to enable easy removal of a card from the cardholder.

12. (Original) The cardholder according to claim 8,

wherein the one-piece plastic material is constituted by a thin thermoplastic sheet made of material taken from the group consisting of polyvinyl chloride (PVC), polycarbonate, polyester, and the like.

13. (Currently Amended) The cardholder according to claim 1,

wherein the one-piece plastic material is ~~transparent and is~~ constituted by a thin thermoplastic sheet made of material taken from the group consisting of polyvinyl chloride (PVC), polycarbonate, polyester, and the like.

14. (Currently Amended) A method of making a one-piece magnifying lens cardholder comprising:

(a) forming a one-piece clear plastic sheet into a rectangle shape of a standardized card with tab-like extensions of the plastic sheet provided at a pair of opposing edges of the rectangle,

wherein the one-piece clear plastic sheet is further provided with fresnel contour lines at a portion thereof; and

(b) forming at least a pair of opposing parallel folded edges of the rectangle-shaped plastic sheet by heating and bending the heat softened tab-like extensions thereof, the folded edges forming at least a pair of tracks on a same side of the cardholder.

15. (Currently Amended) The method of making a one-piece magnifying lens cardholder according to claim 14,

wherein the forming of the plastic sheet into the rectangle shape of a standardized card further includes curving each of the corners of the rectangle and of the tab-like extensions thereof.

16. (Currently Amended) The method of making a one-piece magnifying lens cardholder according to claim 15,

wherein the forming of the plastic sheet into the rectangle shape of a standardized card further includes cutting away a portion at an edge thereof other than at the location of the tab extensions of the rectangle.

Claim 17. (Canceled)

18. (Currently Amended) The method of making a one-piece magnifying lens cardholder lens according to claim ~~17~~ 14,

wherein prior to the forming of the folded edges, there is further comprised:

placing a mask over the fresnel contour lines of a size corresponding to a fresnel lens viewing window and then coating the remaining portion of that side of the one-piece clear plastic sheet to achieve a durable, opaque finish, the coated side being at either side of the one-piece plastic sheet.

19. (Currently Amended) The method of making a one-piece magnifying lens cardholder according to claim 18,

wherein the coating of a side of the one-piece plastic sheet with an opaque finish is effected at a phase of the method between that of forming the rectangle shape with tab-like extensions and the forming of the folded edges.

20. (Currently Amended) The method of making a one-piece magnifying lens cardholder according to claim 18,

wherein the coating of a side of the one-piece plastic sheet with an opaque finish is effected at a phase of the method subsequently to forming the fresnel contour lines at a portion of the one-piece clear plastic sheet and before the forming of the rectangle shape with tab-like extensions.

21. (Currently Amended) A method of making a one-piece magnifying lens cardholder comprising:

(a) forming a one-piece clear plastic ~~clear~~ sheet into a rectangle shape of a standardized card with tab-like extensions of the plastic sheet provided at a pair of opposing edges of the rectangle,

wherein the one-piece clear plastic sheet is further provided with

fresnel contour lines at a portion thereof; and

(b) forming at least a pair of opposing parallel folded edges of the rectangle-shaped plastic sheet by applying controlled heating to the tab-like extensions thereof and bending the heat softened tab-like extensions, the folded edges forming a pair of tracks on a same side of the cardholder,

wherein the controlled heating includes placing securely the rectangle-shaped one-piece plastic sheet over a table having at least a pair of properly spaced heating elements embedded in the table so that a controlled amount of heat can be delivered to the entirety of tab-like extensions to cause them to be bendable to about 180°.

Claim 22. (Canceled)

23. (Currently Amended) The method of making a one-piece magnifying lens cardholder according to claim ~~22~~ 21,

wherein prior to the forming of the folded edges, there is further comprised:

placing a mask over the fresnel contour lines of a size corresponding to a fresnel lens viewing window and then coating the remaining portion of that side of the one-piece clear plastic sheet to achieve a durable, opaque finish, the coated side being at either side of the one-piece plastic sheet.

24. (Currently Amended) The method of making a one-piece magnifying lens cardholder according to claim 23,

wherein the coating of a side of the one-piece plastic sheet with an opaque finish is effected at a phase of the method between that of forming the rectangle shape with tab-like extensions and the forming of the folded edges.

25. (Currently Amended) The method of making a one-piece magnifying lens cardholder according to claim 23,

wherein the coating of a side of the one-piece plastic sheet with an opaque finish is effected at a phase of the method subsequently to forming the fresnel contour lines at a portion of the one-piece clear plastic sheet and before the forming of the rectangle shape with tab-like extensions.